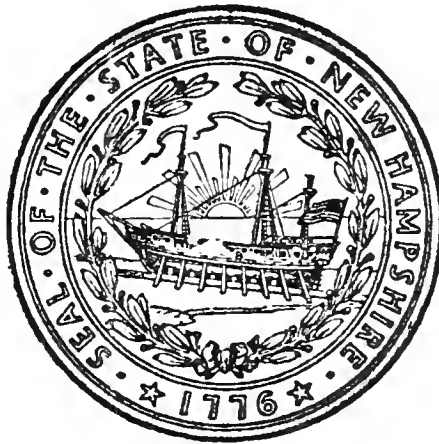


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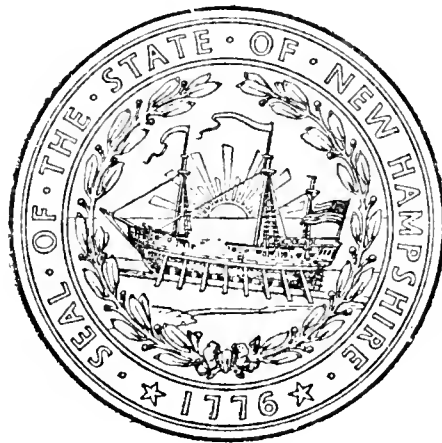


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TOWN OFFICERS
Town March Meeting

Town Clerk

PATRICIA MITCHELL 1975

Selectmen

WILLIAM T. THISTLE 1977

HOLLIS POLLARD 1976

MASON WESTFALL 1975

Treasurer

CLARA JENNESS 1975

Tax Collector

MARGARET THISTLE 1975

Trustees of Trust Funds

DR. JAMES TOWNSEND 1977

MORTON CAVIS 1976

FRANCIS CLEMENT 1975

Library Trustee

MYRA CAVIS 1977

CLARA JENNESS 1976

GLORIA MOONEY 1975

Elections

Supervisors of Check List

CECILE GRAY 1980

MYRA CAVIS 1978

JEAN WILCON 1976

Moderator

RONALD TOWNE 1976

Appointments

Forest Fire Warden

HOLLIS POLLARD

Deputy Wardens

DELMORE BUCKLIN JOHN L. JENNESS

RAYMOND TUCKER PAUL MORRILL

Chief of Police

KENNETH RAYMOND

TOWN WARRANT

State of New Hampshire

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Bridgewater in the County of Grafton in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Grange Hall in said Bridgewater on Tuesday, the Fourth day of March, next at twelve of the clock in the noon, to act upon the following subjects:

Polls to be opened from 12:00 Noon to 7:00 P.M.

Business Meeting at 8:00 P.M.

1. To choose a Selectman for three (3) years and all other necessary Town Officers, and vote on an amendment to the existing Building Code.

2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$510.01 for TRA, provided that the State contributes the sum of \$3,400.06.

3. To see if the Town will vote to spend the 1975 State Highway Subsidy Fund for Town Construction.

4. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for General Expenses as estimated in the Budget.

5. To see if the Town will vote to participate in a joint effort in the celebration of a Bicentennial Era with the Towns of Alexandria, Bristol, Groton, Hebron and New Hampton, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$515.00 to defray one half of the Town's share (on a per capita basis) of the estimated cost of the celebration. (By Request)

6. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum

of \$150.00 for the N.H. Humane Society. (By Request)

7. To see if the Town, pursuant to R.S.A. 31:105 will vote to indemnify and save harmless any officer or employee of the town, for loss or damage occurring after this vote, including reasonable legal fees and costs, if any, arising out of any claim, demand, suit or judgment by reason of negligence or any other act resulting in accidental injury to a person or accidental damage to or destruction of property while such officer or employee is acting within the scope of his employment or office.

8. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to purchase a comprehensive general liability insurance policy necessary to protect the town and its officers and employees from liability for loss or damage, arising out of any claim, demand suit or judgment by reason of negligence or other act resulting in accidental injury to a person or accidental damage to or destruction of property while such officer or employee is acting within the scope of his office or employment.

9. To see what action the Town will take with regard to the disposal of the 1936 Allis Chalmers snow plow and other town property.

10. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to receive in the name of the Town any and all grants or relief from any other Governmental Divisions.

11. To see if the Town will vote to appoint, pursuant to R.S.A. 53-B:1, a Regional Refuse Disposal Planning Committee, consisting of three (3) persons, for the purpose of forming a Regional Refuse Disposal Planning Board to study the advisability of establishing a Regional Refuse Disposal District pursuant to R.S.A. Chapter 53-B, and the preparation of a proposed agreement for the establishment of such a district, and, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$600.00 to make it effective.

12. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purchase of additional land adjoining the present town dump site.

13. To see if the Town will vote to change the purpose of the Highway Capital Reserve Fund to a Refuse Incinerator Fund and authorize the Trustees of Trust Funds to transfer all monies in the Fund to the Town Treasurer for the incinerator purposes.

14. To see if the Town will vote to authorize withdrawal from the Revenue Sharing Fund established under the provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972 for use as set-offs against budget appropriations in the amount indicated; and, further to authorize the Selectmen to make pro-rata reductions in the amounts if estimated entitlements are reduced or take any other action hereon;

Appropriation	Estimated Amount
Incinerator	\$10,500.00

15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,500.00 to be combined with the Capital Reserve Fund and Revenue Sharing for the purpose of providing the Town's share in a Regional Refuse Disposal District or to defray the expense of installing an incinerator at the town dump whichever the case may be.

16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$70,000.00 for the purpose of installing an incinerator at the Town Dump, and authorizing the Selectmen to issue a series of notes or bonds, for a period not to exceed ten (10) years but only in the event that a Regional Refuse Disposal District is not organized.

17. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to make pre-application and application for and to accept, on behalf of the Town, any or all grants including

grants from the Community Development Act of 1974 which may be forthcoming from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, and to expend such funds.

18. To see if the Town agrees to participate in the National Flood Insurance program by directing the Board of Selectmen to complete the eligibility application and submit the required information to the Federal Insurance Administration.

19. Resolution A

Whereas, certain areas of Bridgewater are subject to periodic flooding from *streams, rivers, lakes, etc.*, causing serious damages to properties within these areas; and

Whereas, relief is available in the form of Federally subsidized flood insurance as authorized by the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968; and

Whereas, it is the intent of this Town Meeting to require the recognition and evaluation of flood and/or mudslide hazards in all official actions relating to land use in the flood plain areas having special flood (and/or mudslide) hazards; and

Whereas, this body has the legal authority to adopt land use and control measures to reduce future flood losses pursuant to N.H. R.S.A. Chapters 31, 36, 156, 156A,

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That this Town Meeting hereby

1. Assures the Federal Insurance Administration that it intends to enact and maintain in force for those areas having defined flood hazards, adequate land use and control measures with effective enforcement provisions consistent with the Criteria set forth in Section 1910 of the National Flood Insurance Program Regulations; and

2. Vests the Planning Board with the responsibility, authority and means to:

A. Delineate or assist the Administrator, at his request,

in delineating the limits of the areas having special flood hazards on available local maps of sufficient scale to identify the location of building sites.

- B. Provide such information to the Administrator, at his request, concerning present uses and occupancy of the flood plain.
- C. Cooperate with Federal, State, and local agencies and private firms which undertake to study, survey, map and identify flood plain or mudslide areas, and cooperate with neighboring communities with respect to management of adjoining flood plain in order to prevent aggravation of existing hazards.
- D. Submit on the anniversary date of the community's initial eligibility an annual report to the Administrator on the progress made during the past year within the community in the development and implementation of flood plain management measures.

3. Requires the Building Inspector to maintain for public inspection and to furnish upon request a record of elevations (in relation to mean sea level) of the lowest floor (including Basement) of all new or substantially improved structures located in the special flood hazard areas. If the lowest floor is below grade on one or more sides the elevation of the floor immediately above must be recorded.

4. Intends to take such other official action within its powers as may be reasonably necessary to carry out the objectives of the program.

20. Resolution B-1

Whereas, The Town of Bridgewater, N.H. has adopted

and is enforcing *Building Code & Subdivision Regulations*, and

Whereas, Sections I-e, I-a, & I-9 of the Building Regulations prohibits any person, firm or corporation from erecting, enlarging, altering, repairing, improving or moving any building or structure exceeding a cost of \$800 without first obtaining a separate building permit for each building or structure from the Building Inspector, and

Whereas, the Building Inspector examines all plans and specifications for the proposed construction when application is made to said Building Inspector for a building permit.

Now, Therefore, Be It Enacted, by the Town Meeting of Bridgewater, N.H., as follows:

1. The Town Meeting recommends to the Planning Board to amend their regulations pertaining to the flood hazard area to assure that (1) all proposals are consistent with the need to minimize flood damage, (2) all public utilities and facilities, such as sewer, gas, electrical, and water systems are located, elevated, and constructed to minimize or eliminate flood damage, and (3) adequate drainage is provided so as to reduce exposure to flood hazards, and

2. The Town Meeting recommends that the Planning Board amend their regulations pertaining to the flood hazard area to require new or replacement water supply systems and/or sanitary sewerage systems to be designed to minimize or eliminate infiltration of flood waters into the systems and discharges from the systems into flood waters, and require on-site waste disposal systems to be located so as to avoid impairment or contamination from them during flooding, pursuant to N.H. R.S.A. 36:21.

21. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint a Building Inspector and fix compensation

for same pursuant to R.S.A. 156: 1-5.

22. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

23. To transact any further business that may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this Seventeenth day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-five.

HOLLIS L. POLLARD
WILLIAM T. THISTLE
MASON P. WESTFALL
Selectmen of Bridgewater

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

HOLLIS L. POLLARD
WILLIAM T. THISTLE
MASON P. WESTFALL
Selectmen of Bridgewater

SELECTMEN'S REPORT OF INVENTORY

Land, Improved and Unimproved	\$4,824,850
Buildings	4,212,600
Public Utilities	228,950
48 House trailers, Mobile homes	160,700
11 Boats and Launches	11,950
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Total Valuation before Exemptions	9,439,050
Less exemptions allowed	58,600
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Net Valuations	9,380,450
Property Taxes committed to Collector	\$178,029.64
Tax Rate — \$1.92	

SELECTMEN'S CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information in this report was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

HOLLIS POLLARD
WILLIAM THISTLE
MASON WESTFALL

Selectmen of Bridgewater

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF BRIDGEWATER, N. H.
Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year
January 1, 1975 to December 31, 1975

SECTION 1	Actual	Actual	Actual
PURPOSE OF	Appropriations	Expenditures	Appropriations
APPROPRIATION	Previous Fiscal Yr.	Previous Fiscal Yr.	Ensuing Fiscal Yr. 1975
General Government:			
Town Officers' Salaries	\$4,000.00	\$4,080.00	\$4,200.00
Town Officers' Expenses	3,000.00	3,150.00	3,000.00
Election and Registration Expenses	400.00	358.00	250.00
Town Hall and Other Town Buildings	3,000.00	3,420.00	3,400.00
Employees' Retirement and Soc. Sec.	1,400.00	1,791.00	1,850.00
Contingency Fund	200.00	200.00	200.00
Motor Vehicle Permits	600.00	596.00	600.00
Protection of Persons and Property:			
Police Department	1,500.00	1,648.00	1,800.00
Fire Department	800.00	2,473.00	1,400.00
Lakes Region Planning Committee	510.00	510.00	510.00
Insurance	3,000.00	4,087.00	4,000.00
Planning and Zoning	590.00	212.00	300.00
Damages and Legal Expense	175.00	156.00	175.00
Newfound Ambulance Association	470.00	470.00	470.00
Health Department:			
Vital Statistics	5.00	5.00	5.00
NANA	400.00	400.00	400.00
Town Dump and Garbage Removal	4,000.00	3,886.00	6,200.00
Lakes Region Mental Health	50.00		50.00
Highways and Bridges:			
General Expenses of Highway Dept	48,000.00	56,940.00	51,000.00
Town Road Aid	512.00	512.00	510.00
Libraries	235.00	235.00	235.00
Public Welfare:			
Town Poor	800.00	1,538.00	1,200.00
Old Age Assistance	1,200.00	842.00	900.00
Old Home Day	100.00	100.00	100.00

Patriotic Purposes:

(Memorial Day, Etc)	15.00	15.00	15.00
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Recreation	450.00	450.00	450.00
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Public Service Enterprises:

N. H. Humane Society			150.00
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Cemeteries			200.00
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Bicentennial Appropriation			515.00
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Advertising and Regional Associations	200.00	175.00	200.00
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Debt Service:

Principal and Long Term Notes and Bonds	8,200.00	8,200.00	6,200.00
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Interest - Long Term Notes and Bonds	907.00	907.00	500.00
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Interest on Temporary Loans	1,800.00	2,014.00	2,000.00
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Capital Outlay:

Town Construction	10,021.00	10,719.00	6,600.00
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New Equipment	6,700.00	6,700.00	
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Sewer Survey	750.00		
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Incinerator			21,500.00
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Land Purchase			2,500.00
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Refuse Disposal Planning Committee			600.00
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Payment to Capital Reserve Funds	1,500.00	1,500.00	
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Total Appropriations	\$105,400.00	\$124,210.00	
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SECTION II SOURCES OF REVENUE	Estimated Revenue Previous Fiscal Yr.	Actual Revenue Previous Fiscal Yr.	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Fiscal Yr. 1975
From State:			
Interest and Dividends Tax	\$ 6,224.00	\$6,224.00	\$6,000.00
Savings Bank Tax	542.00	542.00	525.00
Meals and Rooms Tax	2,699.00	2,699.00	2,500.00
Highway Subsidy (Cl. IV & V)	6,687.00	6,687.00	6,600.00
Reim A/C Business Profits Tax (Town Portion)	2,298.00	2,299.00	2,300.00
Road Toll Refunds		878.00	
From Local Sources:			
Dog Licenses	175.00	198.00	175.00
Business Licenses, Permits, Filing Fees	30.00	24.00	20.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	9,000.00	9,621.00	9,000.00
Interest on Taxes and Deposits	700.00	1,405.00	1,200.00
Withdrawal Capital Reserve Funds			6,500.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	260.00	260.00	260.00
Resident Taxes Retained	2,650.00	2,697.00	2,600.00
Normal Yield Taxes Assessed	587.00	587.00	700.00
Rent of Town Property	120.00	147.00	120.00
Driveway Plowing	2,000.00	2,420.00	2,000.00
From Federal Sources:			
Revenue Sharing	13,721.00	13,721.00	10,500.00
Total Revenues From All Sources			
Except Property Taxes			51,000.00
Amount to be Raised by Property Taxes			73,210.00
Total Revenues			\$124,210.00

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

The close of fiscal 1974 finds the Town of Bridgewater again in excellent financial condition with a surplus of \$5,948.00. which is a reduction of only \$560.00 less than last year.

The town will have exhausted the time left to continue open burning at the town dump by July 1, 1975. Definite progress will have to be made before that time in order to gain even a short extension of time from the N.H. Air Pollution Control Board.

Feasibility studies conducted by the Selectmen and the Soil Conservation Commission have ruled out any sanitary landfill operation in Bridgewater. The only alternative left is disposal by incineration. However arrangements have been made with Bristol to continue accepting the refuse from the River Road.

The Selectmen have expended a considerable amount of time and travel in visiting Conway, Nottingham and Durham incinerators as well as attending seminars, meetings and calling in representatives of incinerator manufacturers.

Negotiations have been conducted for some time with the Hebron Selectmen concerning a joint effort for a disposal system serving both towns. However the law is very specific concerning the establishment of these facilities. Appropriate articles have been placed in the warrants of the respective towns for the purpose of setting up a Regional Refuse Disposal District. A committee must be appointed from each town, which recommends the procedure and operating rules of the District. After completing the report they turn it over to the Selectmen of both towns who then call a special town meeting in each town which then decides whether or not to establish the District.

The Bridgewater warrant also has a provision that in case the District plan fails to be adopted by both towns, funding will be available to purchase and install an incinerator by ourselves. The Selectmen have made application for a

Federal grant through the Community Development program for whatever funds may be available.

Another very important area for consideration this year is the necessary additions to the building code and some zoning restrictions. Please bear in mind that these are made necessary by the Federal Government to restrict building in areas subject to flooding. These areas do exist in Bridgewater to a limited degree but they do exist. Simply stated it means that buildings in these areas must have flood insurance, which must be purchased through the Government, in order to secure mortgages or financing through banks, etc. This insurance will not be available to anyone with property in town unless these articles in the warrant are passed.

It is also imperative that these articles be carried because failure to do so would cut off any and all Federal grants such as revenue sharing, flood damage to highways, and of course any available funding for the incinerator.

During the past year we were able to rebuild a section of the Whittenmore Point Road South with a good gravel base, correct a dangerous curve and widen the right of way. Present plans are to seal this as well as the section rebuilt in 1973 during the current year.

We recommend that reconstruction be started this year on the Dick Brown Road at the intersection with Route 3A and carried as far as the funding will allow.

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

<i>Description</i>	<i>Value</i>
Town Hall	\$ 8,000.00
Grange Hall, Garage and Land	30,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	1,000.00
Libraries	1,000.00
Office Equipment	2,000.00
Highway Department	
Trucks and Plows	\$13,000.00
A.C. Tractor	500.00
A.C. Front Loader	2,500.00
Hough Payloader	20,000.00
Huler Maintainer	5,000.00
Tools and Equipment	2,000.00
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	43,000.00
Fire Department	3,000.00

STATE AUDIT

Division of Municipal Accounting

Frederick E. Laplante, *Director*

January 21, 1975

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS & RECOMMENDATIONS

Board of Selectmen

Bridgewater, New Hampshire 03222

Gentlemen :

Submitted herewith is the report of the annual examination and audit of the accounts of the Town of Bridgewater for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1974, which was made by this Division in accordance with the vote of the Town. Exhibits as hereafter listed are included as part of the report.

One of the enclosed audit reports must be given to the Town Clerk for retention as part of the permanent Town records.

SCOPE OF AUDIT

Included in the examination and audit were the accounts and records of the Board of Selectmen, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Town Clerk, Road Agent and Trustees of Trust Funds.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

General Fund:

Comparative Balance Sheets - As of December 31, 1973 and December 31, 1974: (Exhibit A-1)

Comparative Balance Sheets as of December 31, 1973 and December 31, 1974 are presented in Exhibit A-1. As indicated therein, the current surplus of the Town decreased by \$560, from \$6,508 at December 31, 1973 to \$5,948 at December 31, 1974.

Analysis of Change in Current Financial Condition:

(Exhibit A-2)

An analysis of the change in the current financial condi-

ton of the Town during the year is included in Exhibit A-2, with the factors which caused the change indicated therein. These were as follows:

Decreases in Current Surplus:

Net Budget Deficit (Exhibit A-4)	\$438
Tax Liens Transferred to Tax Deeds	48
Decreases in Accounts Receivable	74

Net Decrease in Current Surplus \$560

Comparative Statements of Appropriations & Expenditures - Estimated & Actual Revenues: (Exhibits A-3 & A-4)

Comparative statements of general fund appropriations and expenditures, estimated and actual revenues for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1974 are presented in Exhibits A-3 and A-4. As indicated by the Budget Summary (Exhibit A-4), a net overdraft of appropriations of \$3,686, less a revenue surplus of \$3,248, resulted in a net budget deficit of \$438.

Long Term Indebtedness:

Comparative Balance Sheets - As of December 31, 1973 & December 31, 1974: (Exhibit A-5)

Comparative Balance Sheets which disclose the outstanding long term indebtedness of the Town as of December 31, 1973 and December 31, 1974 are contained in Exhibit A-5. As indicated therein, the long term debt decreased by \$8,200 during 1974, from \$18,150 to \$9,950. Matured long term notes in the amount of \$8,200 were paid during the fiscal year.

Statement of Debt Service Requirements: (Exhibit A-6)

A statement showing annual debt service requirements (principal and interest) as of December 31, 1974 is presented in Exhibit A-6.

Disaster Relief Act Funds:

Comparative Balance Sheets - As of December 31, 1973 and December 31, 1974: (Exhibit A-7)

Comparative Balance Sheets of the Disaster Relief Act Funds as of December 31, 1974 are contained in Exhibit A-7.

As indicated therein, the fund balance reflects a current deficit of \$14,604 as of December 31, 1974. This deficit results from expenditures in excess of approved Federal Grants for this purpose. Unless additional Federal Aid can be obtained, it will be necessary for the Town to appropriate additional funds to offset the aforesaid deficit.

TREASURER

General Fund:

Classified Statement of Receipts & Expenditures: (Exhibit B-1)

A summary statement of receipts and expenditures for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1974 made up in accordance with the uniform classification of accounts, is included in Exhibit B-1.

Revenue Sharing Fund: (Exhibit G)

The fiscal activity in the Revenue Sharing Fund account during the year is disclosed in Exhibit G. As stated therein, unappropriated funds at January 1, 1974 amounted to \$3,961. During the year, entitlements due or paid to the Town totaled \$9,728, interest of \$32 was realized on idle funds invested. Consequently, total funds available for authorized expenditures amounted to an aggregate sum of \$13,721. The latter sum was expended in 1974 pursuant to the vote of the Town. There were no available funds remaining at December 31, 1974.

AUDIT PROCEDURE

The accounts and records of all town officials charged with the custody, receipt and disbursement of public funds were examined and audited in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as were considered necessary in the circumstances.

Verification of uncollected and unredeemed taxes was made by mailing notices to delinquent taxpayers as indicated by the Tax Collector's records. Consequently, the amounts of uncollected and unredeemed taxes as indicated in this report are subject to any changes which may be necessitated by

the return of verification notices.

Conclusion:

The provisions of Chapter 71-a, Section 21 of the Revised Statutes Annotated, require that the auditors' summary of findings and recommendations (letter of transmittal) shall be published in the next annual report of the Town. Publication of the Exhibits contained in the audit report is optional, at the discretion of the Board of Selectmen.

We extend our thanks to the officials of the Town of Bridgewater for their assistance during the course of the audit.

Very truly yours,
FREDERICK E. LAPLANTE,
Director
Division of Municipal Accounting
Department of Revenue Administration

CERTIFICATE OF AUDIT

This is to certify that we have examined and audited the accounts and records of the Town of Bridgewater for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1974.

Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as were considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, the accompanying balance sheet and statements of sources of revenues and expenditures present fairly the financial position of the Town of Bridgewater at December 31, 1974, and the results of its operations for the year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applicable to governmental entities, applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding fiscal year.

Respectfully submitted,
FREDERICK E. LAPLANTE,
Director
Division of Municipal Accounting
Department of Revenue Administration

EXHIBIT A-6
TOWN OF BRIDGEWATER
Long Term Indebtedness
Statement of Debt Service Requirements
As of December 31, 1974

	Highway Equipment Notes - 5%	Equipment Notes 5%	<i>Total</i>	
Amount of Original Issue	\$28,750	\$3,600	<i>Principal</i>	<i>Interest</i>
Date of Original Issue	August 10, 1970	December 29, 1972	\$6,200	\$498
Principal Payable Date	December 31	December 31	3,750	187
Interest Payable Date	December 31	December 31		
Payable At	First National Bank Bristol, N.H.	First National Bank Bristol, N.H.	\$9,950	\$685
<i>Maturities-Fiscal Year Ending</i>	<i>Principal</i>	<i>Interest</i>		
December 31, 1975	\$5,000	\$438		
December 31, 1976	3,750	187		
	\$8,750	\$625		

EXHIBIT E

TOWN OF BRIDGEWATER

Trust Funds

Summary of Principal, Income and Investments
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1974

	PRINCIPAL.....			INCOME
	Balance	New Balance	Balance	Earned	Expn'd	Balance	Balance of
	Jan 1	Funds Dec. 31	Jan. 1	During	During	Dec. 31	Principal & Income
	1974	Created	1974	Year	Year	1974	December 31, 1974
Cemetery Funds:							
Emerson Cemetery	\$400		\$400	\$47	\$30	\$412	\$812
John Batchelder Estate	500		500	49	30	430	930
Bridgewater Old Home							
Cemetery Association	800		800	98	80	899	1,699
Webster-Cross Fund	510		510	43		253	763
Whittemore Point	600		600	76		754	1,354
Capital Reserve Funds:							
Highway Department	4,500	\$1,500	6,000	281		474	6,474
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	\$7,310	\$1,500	\$8,810	\$594	\$140	\$3,222	\$12,032
				INVESTMENTS			
				Amoskeag Savings Bank			930
				Bristol Savings Bank			6,474
				New Hampshire Savings Bank			3,865
				Plymouth Guaranty Savings Bank			763
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							\$12,032

DETAILED STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES

Town Officers' Salaries:

Clara Jenness	\$ 300.00
Hollis Pollard	599.00
William Thistle	599.00
Mason Westfall	587.00
Kenneth Raymond	100.00
Patricia Mitchell	100.00
Margaret Thistle	1,795.94
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	\$ 4,080.94

Town Officers' Expenses:

Patricia Mitchell	\$ 13.58
Margaret Thistle	521.05
Homestead Press	47.25
Burroughs Inc.	39.90
N. H. Assessors Association	10.00
N. H. Municipal Association	100.00
Charles Wood	9.20
Postmaster Plymouth	39.28
Postmaster Bristol	19.95
Brown & Saltmarsh	313.86
Equity Publishing	179.00
State of N. H., Audit	604.13
Adirondack Chair	372.00
N. H. Town Clerks' Association	8.00
N. E. Town Clerks' Association	5.00
Mason Westfall	79.36
Enterprise Press	486.72
N. H. Tax Collectors' Association	10.00
Charles Tapply	20.00
Mountain Media	3.50
Lakes Region Trader	11.00
Robert Racine	34.20
Clay's Newstand	2.22

Election and Registration:

Mountain Media	\$ 52.20
Enterprise Press	95.05
Agnes Murphy	30.00
Cecile Gray	63.28
Myra Cavis	33.00
Jean Wilcox	54.00
Susan Mitchell	30.00

Planning Board:

Enterprise Press	\$ 123.20
Mountain Media	22.00
First National Bank of Bristol	66.60

Town Hall and Other Buildings:

Public Service	\$ 341.10
N. E. Telephone	422.03
Ashland Pharmacy	11.70
Elizabeth Follansbee	582.00
N. H. Electric Coop.	32.21
Charles A. Carr Co.	1,785.35
R. P. Williams	144.51
Phinney's Plumbing	31.00
Leo Alger	23.63
Persens Concrete	275.00
E. Wayne Thompson	42.35
Warren Anderson	40.46
Rand's Hardware	123.97
Bristol Electric	37.44

Insurance:

Bristol Real Estate and Insurance	\$ 209.60
John Ray Agency	3,656.40
Robert Main Agency	29.75

Town Dump:

Howard Mitchell	\$ 1,754.00
Reginald Morrill	414.00
A. S. Woodward	497.69
Lawrence Fogg	15.00
Town of Bristol	1,200.00

Fire Department:

Morgan Fire	\$ 176.00
Country Belle Fire	284.50
Whip-O-Will Fire	471.75
Gundlah Fires	942.63
Farmer Fire	598.50

Police Department:

David Cheney	\$ 75.00
Kenneth Raymond	926.44
Jack Laiweneek	576.45
E. Wayne Thompson	70.00

Town Poor:

N. H. Electric Coop.	\$ 96.61
Town of Alexandria	6.40
Adams Market	174.34

Janet Wells	125.00
Emmons Funeral Home	500.00

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Labor:

John Morgan, Jr.	\$ 8,500.00
David Bergron	6,741.00
Eugene Morgan	4,983.00
Charles Thurber, III	3,492.00
Andrew Denton	979.86
Ronald Bruno	940.50

Equipment Hire:

David Bergron, Skidder	\$ 150.00
Eugene Morgan, Plowing	847.50
Jack Flanders, Plowing	180.00
Gordon Huckins, Plowing	160.00

Expenses:

Fred's Auto	\$ 1,807.56
Charles Gould	242.65
Paquette Paving	2,421.68
Moulton Getty	9.00
Merriam Graves	106.05
Charles A. Carr	35.07
J. C. Croucher	189.66
Earth Inc.	2,935.00
Brooks Auto	1,028.13
Shorts Garage	63.30
Irwin Motors	1,232.29
Sanel Auto	948.64
N. H. Explosives	358.80
Prescott Lumber	313.04
Northeast Culvert	1,941.06
Merrimac Farmers	690.37
R. C. Hazelton	1,384.82
Sears Roebuck	129.70
Bartlett Auto	77.54
International Salt	318.43
Texaco	373.79
Ross Express	10.00
Dick's Welding	5.22
Harris Bros.	45.62
Bristol Tire & Battery	413.32
Northeast Tire	1,197.84
Pike Industries	144.00

Campton Sand & Gravel	275.60
Shacketts Store	2.22
Merrill Radiator	48.50
Cote Motor Co.	126.81
Pooler Chev.	32.20
Regal Rentals	54.00
Newfound Sport Store	36.75
R. P. Johnson & Sons	94.50
Kenneth Hall	150.00
West Plymouth Concrete Prod.	4.20
David Bergron	29.00
Barrett Equipment	1,847.75
Laramie Gilpatric	31.20
C. L. Spalding	100.00
Interstate Machinery	118.70
Palmer Spring	89.92
United Glass	103.40
Gareth Gilpatric	147.00
Gasoline Storage:	
2/4000 Gal Tanks	\$ 800.00
Trans. and Setting Tanks	410.00
Piping Tanks	367.85
Joseph McDermott	24.20
9700 Gal. Gasoline	3,988.16

Total storage available at town shed now 10,000 gals.

Approx- 4,000 gals, on hand Jan. 1, 1975

WHITTEMORE POINT ROAD SOUTH

TRA PROJECT

Funds Available:

TRA Town's Share	\$ 512.14	
TRA State's Share	3,414.23	
TRA Balance from Fiscal '74	3,364.58	
Highway Subsidy	6,700.00	
Revenue Sharing	5,500.00	
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Expenditures:

State Highway Department	\$ 7,290.95	
State of N. H.	2,800.00	
West Plymouth Concrete Prod.	49.20	
Filton Sand & Gravel	20.25	
Earth Inc.	3,930.00	
John Morrison	840.00	
40' 36" Culvert	533.00	
Payroll	1,293.70	
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BRIDGEWATER POLICE DEPARTMENT

1974 - 1975

Arrests Made	5
Court Cases	4
Warnings Issued	7
Attempted Suicide	1
Automobile Accidents	4
Mileage (3 vehicles)	1,106
Winter Patrol (Snowmobile, Bridgewater Hill)	7

KENNETH RAYMOND
Chief of Police

BRIDGEWATER PUBLIC LIBRARY
Librarian's Report – River Road Station

Books on hand December 31, 1973		1,506
Added by purchase	37	1,543
Discarded	397	1,146
Books on hand December 31, 1974		1,146
Borrowed from Bookmobile		719
Books Loaned :		
Adult Fiction	74	
Adult Nonfiction	83	
Child Fiction	424	
Child Nonfiction	201	
Total Books Loaned	—	782
Membership :		
Adult	7	
Children	23	
Total Membership	.. —	30

To the Trustees :

The discarded books were mostly out-of-date or worn out titles. We depend on the State Bookmobile for adult reading material. The new purchases were all for children.

Respectfully submitted,
 ALICE B. DICKINSON,
Librarian

Treasurer's Report

Receipts:

Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1973	\$1,138.65	
Interest, Bristol Savings Bank	64.47	
	—	\$1,203.12

Payments:

Books purchased (R.R. Station)	\$172.39	
Salary & Postage Allowance (R.R. Sta.)	35.00	
	—	207.39

Cash on hand December 31, 1974	\$ 995.73
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MYRA P. CAVIS, *Treas.*
Library Trustees

BRIDGEWATER OLD HOME DAY REPORT

Balance on hand from 1973 appropriation	\$.08
1974 appropriation	100.00
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	\$100.08

Payments:

Noon Lunch	\$35.33	
Children's Prizes	50.00	
C. Volpe & Sons	8.69	
Postage	3.60	
Balance of 1974 appropriation	2.46	
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Respectfully submitted,
PATRICIA MITCHELL,
Treasurer

**REPORT OF THE FOREST FIRE WARDEN
AND DISTRICT CHIEF**

All open burning when the ground is not covered with snow is controlled by the Town Forest Fire Warden in cooperation with the New Hampshire Forest Fire Service. Anyone wishing to kindle a fire out-of-doors when the ground is not covered with snow must have a written permit signed by the Town Forest Fire Warden. If the fire is to be kindled on land not owned by the person kindling the fire then he must have the permission of the land-owner. No outdoor fires can be kindled between 9 A. M. and 5 P. M. unless it is raining, without the additional approval of the District Forest Fire Chief.

The 1974 forest fire season was one of the worst in the past two decades. Woodlands in central and southern New Hampshire became so dry in mid August that the Governor and Council, upon the recommendation of the State Forester, enacted a partial woodlands closure in Sullivan, Cheshire, Hillsborough, Merrimack and Belknap Counties and a complete woodlands closure in Strafford and Rockingham Counties plus the Towns of Barnstead, Gilmanston and Alton in Belknap County. Through the excellent cooperation of the citizens of our State no major forest fire occurred at any time during the year.

1974 Forest Fire Statistics

	No. of Fires	No. of Acres
State	871	915
District	52	26.5
Town	0	0
GERALD GROSS	HOLLIS L. POLLARD	
District Fire Chief	Fire Warden	

NEWFOUND AREA NURSING ASSOCIATION

The Newfound Area Nursing Association continues to extend skilled nursing care and physical therapy treatments to the residents of Bristol, New Hampton, Bridgewater and Alexandria. In 1974 the total number of nursing visits made by the nursing staff was 1678 and 103 were made by the physical therapist.

During the past year NANA was involved with the community bloodmobile drives in March and August. Also in August we participated in a Blood Pressure Clinic that was sponsored by the local Ambulance Association and Community Services.

The NANA staff has participated in various workshops throughout the year as continuing education relating to such health areas as pre-natal care, pediatrics and care of the aged. Through different surveys NANA has met all requirements stipulated by Medicare and New Hampshire Department of Health and Welfare.

Submitted by
MARY LEE BOURCIER
Visiting Nurse

NEWFOUND AREA NURSING ASSOCIATION COMPARATIVE INCOME STATEMENT

Years Ended December 31, 1974 and 1973

	Dec. 31 1974	Dec. 31 1973
Income		
Nursing Services	\$17,208	\$13,069
Town of Bristol	1,400	-,400
Town of New Hampton	(2 years) 1,800	900
Town of Alexandria	(2 years) 600	300

Town of Bridgewater	400	400
Contributions	1,101	30
Fund Raising Activities	390	190
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Total Income	\$22,899	\$16,289
Expenses		
Nurses Salary	\$7,221	\$5,983
Nurses Aides' Salaries	3,874	3,168
Office Salaries	3,522	3,205
Therapist	1,764	855
Automobile and Travel	1,290	891
Payroll Taxes	855	723
Insurance	855	929
Depreciation	807	791
Rent	700	630
Employee Benefits	516	341
Telephone	476	498
Office Supplies	390	217
Accounting and Auditing	245	120
Other Expenses	141	368
Nurses Supplies	180	203
Taxes	25	33
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Total Expenses	\$22,861	\$18,955
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Operating Margin	\$38	(\$2,666)
Other Income and (Deductions)		
Interest on Savings Account	\$171	\$160
Refund	(80)	
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	91	160
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Excess of Income over Expenses (Sched. I)	\$129	(\$2,506)
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NEWFOUND AREA AMBULANCE ASSOCIATION
1974

Amount received from Towns in Association		\$3,500.00
Ambulance equipment, supplies and replacement of supplies		667.63
Gas, oil, labor and tires		1,359.57
Insurance		949.00
Drivers & attendants (not incl. Fred Emmons)		936.00
Licenses and training of attendants		277.00
Total calls	165	
Paid calls	128	
Unpaid calls	26	
False calls	11	
Alexandria	25	
Bridgewater	8	
Bristol	86	
Danbury	4	
Groton	6	
Hebron	10	
Hill	8	
New Hampton	18	

BI-CENTENNIAL STEERING COMMITTEE

The Bi-Centennial Steering Committee for the Newfound Region, under the general sponsorship of the Chamber of Commerce, has held several meetings to determine how we will celebrate the 200th birthday of our country in 1975 - 76 and to see if the towns will act jointly in such activities.

Selectmen and heads of various organizations are being contacted for suggestions. A few already forwarded are Bi-Centennial silver and bronze coins, designed in a contest, town and house identification markers, an old-fashioned pageant, a drill and muster with uniforms, a theme parade with floats and street fair, an old time Town Meeting in the oldest town hall available, square dancing, and, possibly a box supper in each town. The possibilities are unending and should fit in comfortably with the state motto "Heritage, Festival and Horizon."

We are thinking now of an over-all budget of \$10,000 to be pro-rated in each town according to population, for example Bristol's share would be approximately \$4,340.00 to be raised over a 2 year period. Please contact your town representative with your suggestions and plans.

Coordinator - MR. LARRY DENTON
Alexandria - MRS. ROSALIE HALL
Bridgewater - MR. ROBERT BENT
Bristol - MR. ORVIS HOPKINS
Groton - MRS. CAROL BUCK
Hebron - MRS. BEVERLY H. SMITH
New Hampton - MRS. PAULINE MERRILL

VITAL STATISTICS

— BIRTHS —

Date and place of birth; name and sex of child; name of father; maiden name of mother.

01/04/74 Laconia; Jason Paul Sharpe, Male; Paul Sharpe;
Gail Ann Govin

01/15/74 Laconia; Carla Fayette Gray, Female; Peter
Mason Gray; Stephanie Norma Huckins

05/01/74 Plymouth; David Alan Comeau, II, Male; David
Alan Comeau, I; Catherine Elaine Haskell

07/31/74 Laconia; Cory Hartford Smith, Male; Peter
Hartford Smith; Mildred Frances Bilodeau

10/26/74 Laconia; Daniel Raymond Tucker, Male; Robert
Frederick Tucker; Priscilla Ann Boynton

I hereby certify the above return to be correct according to
the best of my knowledge and belief.

PATRICIA G. MITCHELL, Town Clerk

— MARRIAGES —

Date and place of marriage; name and surname of bridegroom and bride; name and official station of person performing ceremony.

04/13/74 Plymouth; Robert Daniel Herlihy, Helen Judith Andersson; Rev. James P. Watson, Priest-Roman Catholic

06/08/74 Bridgewater; Everett Edward Piper, Sherry Madonna Webber; Rev. Ethel Lee Matthews, Baptist Minister

07/20/74 Ashland; Timothy Walter Drew, Dianne Fisher Cummings; Rev. Everett E. Palmer, Minister of Gospel

07/20/74 Bridgewater; John Lewis Otte, Libby Ann Weidner; Rev. Philip M. Polhemus, Minister

08/24/74 Ashland; Gerard Roy Godville, Mary-Ellen Drew; Rev. Christopher Drew, Minister of Gospel

10/25/74 Bridgewater; Robert Charles Watt, Janet Elizabeth Baird; William R. Weir, Justice of the Peace

11/07/74 Campton; Raymond Frederick Tucker, Pauline Gibbons Metevier; Dr. Ward Glenn Gypson, Clergyman

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— DEATHS —

*Date and place of death; name and surname of deceased;
age.*

08/19/74 Bridgewater, N.H.; Carl Willard Dahlbon; 63

10/05/74 Meredith, N.H.; Marion Grigg; 89

10/08/74 Plymouth, N.H.; Dora Eva Ballou; 68

10/18/74 Bridgewater, N.H. Howard D. Mitchell; 74

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